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APPLICATION OF:

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Maxwell et al.  
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10/709,377  
04/30/2004  
RACK AND PINION WHEEL  
DRIVE FOR AN  
INDUSTRIAL SLIDING  
BLADE DAMPER

AMENDMENT AND  
COMMUNICATION

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Dear Sir:

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Examiner: Rost, Andrew J.

If any charges or fees must be paid in connection with the following communication, they may be paid out of our Deposit Account No. 502428.

This is in response to the non-final Office Action, mailed August 13, 2007, in the above-identified patent application. Please amend the application as indicated, and consider the following Remarks, toward reconsideration and allowance of the application.

Amendments to the Claims being on page 2 herein.

Remarks begin on page 6.

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